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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of	)	
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DEAN et al.	)	Examiner: Bradley L. Sisson
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Serial No. 09/514,113	)	Art Unit: 1634
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Filed: February 28, 2000	)	Confirmation No.: 9257
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For: METHOD FOR REDUCING	)	
ARTIFACTS IN NUCLEIC	)	
ACID AMPLIFICATION	)	
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed on May 26, 2006 and the Advisory Action mailed September 14, 2006, Applicants respectfully request consideration of the following remarks.

**A Listing of the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this Amendment.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this Amendment.